

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JBE 2016 – 29

PROCEDURES IN CASES BEFORE MILITARY COURTS IN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

WHEREAS, The need for special laws and regulations in relation to military discipline

and the consequent need and justification for a special and exclusive system of military justice has been recognized by the Louisiana Legislature in the enactment of the Louisiana Code of Military Justice, La.

R.S. 29:101 et seq.;

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Code of Military Justice provides authority for the Governor

and the Adjutant General to enforce good order and discipline in the

military forces of the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute 29:136 authorizes the Governor to prescribe the

procedures, including the modes of proof, in cases before the military

courts of the State of Louisiana.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: In accordance with the provisions of the Louisiana Code of Military

Justice, La. R.S. 29:136 in particular, the procedure in cases before military courts of the State of Louisiana are hereby prescribed; such procedures shall be the Rules for Court Martial prescribed in the latest edition of the Manual for Courts Martial, United States, in all ways not

inconsistent with Louisiana law and regulation.

SECTION 2: Further, and in accordance with La. R.S. 29:136, the modes of proof in

cases before military courts of the State of Louisiana are hereby prescribed; such modes shall be the Military Rules of Evidence prescribed in the latest edition of the Manual for Courts Martial, United States, in all

ways not inconsistent with Louisiana law and regulation.

SECTION 3: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or

terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton

Rouge, on this 28th day of June, 2016.

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE